# (b) Partners bound by actions of partnership, etc.

### (1) Designation of partner

Each electing large partnership shall designate (in the manner prescribed by the Secretary) a partner (or other person) who shall have the sole authority to act on behalf of such partnership under this subchapter. In any case in which such a designation is not in effect, the Secretary may select any partner as the partner with such authority.

### (2) Binding effect

An electing large partnership and all partners of such partnership shall be bound—

- (A) by actions taken under this subchapter by the partnership, and
- (B) by any decision in a proceeding brought under this subchapter.

# (c) Partnerships having principal place of business outside the United States

For purposes of sections 6247 and 6252, a principal place of business located outside the United States shall be treated as located in the District of Columbia.

### (d) Treatment where partnership ceases to exist

If a partnership ceases to exist before a partnership adjustment under this subchapter takes effect, such adjustment shall be taken into account by the former partners of such partnership under regulations prescribed by the Secretary.

### (e) Date decision becomes final

For purposes of this subchapter, the principles of section 7481(a) shall be applied in determining the date on which a decision of a district court or the Claims Court becomes final.

# (f) Partnerships in cases under title 11 of the United States Code

# (1) Suspension of period of limitations on making adjustment, assessment, or collection

The running of any period of limitations provided in this subchapter on making a partnership adjustment (or provided by section 6501 or 6502 on the assessment or collection of any amount required to be paid under section 6242) shall, in a case under title 11 of the United States Code, be suspended during the period during which the Secretary is prohibited by reason of such case from making the adjustment (or assessment or collection) and—

- (A) for adjustment or assessment, 60 days thereafter, and
  - (B) for collection, 6 months thereafter.

A rule similar to the rule of section 6213(f)(2) shall apply for purposes of section 6246.

# (2) Suspension of period of limitation for filing for judicial review

The running of the period specified in section 6247(a) or 6252(b) shall, in a case under title 11 of the United States Code, be suspended during the period during which the partnership is prohibited by reason of such case from filing a petition under section 6247 or 6252 and for 60 days thereafter.

## (g) Regulations

The Secretary shall prescribe such regulations as may be necessary to carry out the provisions of this subchapter, including regulations—

- (1) to prevent abuse through manipulation of the provisions of this subchapter, and
- (2) providing that this subchapter shall not apply to any case described in section 6231(c)(1) (or the regulations prescribed thereunder) where the application of this subchapter to such a case would interfere with the effective and efficient enforcement of this title.

In any case to which this subchapter does not apply by reason of paragraph (2), rules similar to the rules of sections 6229(f) and 6255(f) shall apply.

(Added Pub. L. 105–34, title XII, §1222(a), Aug. 5, 1997, 111 Stat. 1017.)

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#### AMENDMENTS

1990—Pub. L. 101–508, title XI, 11801(b)(14), Nov. 5, 1990, 104 Stat. 1388–522, struck out item for subchapter E "Collection of State individual income taxes".

1972—Pub. L. 92–512, title II,  $\S202(b)$ , Oct. 20, 1972, 86 Stat. 944, added item for subchapter E.

#### Subchapter A—General Provisions

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6306.	Qualified tax collection contracts.

#### AMENDMENTS

2004—Pub. L. 108–357, title VIII, \$881(a)(2)(B), Oct. 22, 2004, 118 Stat. 1626, added item 6306.

1998—Pub. L. 105–206, title III, §3466(b), July 22, 1998, 112 Stat. 769, added item 6304.

 $1976-Pub.\ L.$  94–455, title XIX, \$1906(b)(5), Oct. 4, 1976, 90 Stat. 1833, struck out item "6304. Collection under the Tariff Act".

1975—Pub. L. 93–647, 101(b)(2), Jan. 4, 1975, 88 Stat. 2358, added item 6305.

### § 6301. Collection authority

The Secretary shall collect the taxes imposed by the internal revenue laws.

(Aug. 16, 1954, ch. 736, 68A Stat. 775; Pub. L. 94–455, title XIX, \$1906(b)(13)(A), Oct. 4, 1976, 90 Stat. 1834.)

### AMENDMENTS

1976—Pub. L. 94–455 struck out ''or his delegate'' after "Secretary".

APPROVAL PROCESS FOR LIENS, LEVIES, AND SEIZURES

Pub. L. 105-206, title III, §3421, July 22, 1998, 112 Stat. 758, provided that:

"(a) IN GENERAL.—The Commissioner of Internal Revenue shall develop and implement procedures under which—

"(1) a determination by an employee to file a notice of lien or levy with respect to, or to levy or seize, any

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Section numbers editorially supplied.

property or right to property would, where appropriate, be required to be reviewed by a supervisor of the employee before the action was taken; and

- "(2) appropriate disciplinary action would be taken against the employee or supervisor where the procedures under paragraph (1) were not followed.
- "(b) REVIEW PROCESS.—The review process under subsection (a)(1) may include a certification that the employee has—
  - "(1) reviewed the taxpayer's information;
  - "(2) verified that a balance is due; and
- "(3) affirmed that the action proposed to be taken is appropriate given the taxpayer's circumstances, considering the amount due and the value of the property or right to property.
- '(c) Effective Dates .-
- "(1) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in paragraph (2), this section shall take effect on the date of the enactment of this Act [July 22, 1998].
- "(2) AUTOMATED COLLECTION SYSTEM ACTIONS.—In the case of any action under an automated collection system, this section shall apply to actions initiated after December 31, 2000."

### § 6302. Mode or time of collection

#### (a) Establishment by regulations

If the mode or time for collecting any tax is not provided for by this title, the Secretary may establish the same by regulations.

#### (b) Discretionary method

Whether or not the method of collecting any tax imposed by chapter 21, 31, 32, or 33, or by section 4481 is specifically provided for by this title, any such tax may, under regulations prescribed by the Secretary, be collected by means of returns, stamps, coupons, tickets, books, or such other reasonable devices or methods as may be necessary or helpful in securing a complete and proper collection of the tax.

## (c) Use of Government depositaries

The Secretary may authorize Federal Reserve banks, and incorporated banks, trust companies, domestic building and loan associations, or credit unions which are depositaries or financial agents of the United States, to receive any tax imposed under the internal revenue laws, in such manner, at such times, and under such conditions as he may prescribe; and he shall prescribe the manner, times, and conditions under which the receipt of such tax by such banks, trust companies, domestic building and loan associations, and credit unions is to be treated as payment of such tax to the Secretary.

# (d) Time for payment of manufacturers' excise tax on recreational equipment

The taxes imposed by subchapter D of chapter 32 of this title (relating to taxes on recreational equipment) shall be due and payable on the date for filing the return for such taxes.

# (e) Time for deposit of taxes on communications services and airline tickets

#### (1) In general

Except as provided in paragraph (2), if, under regulations prescribed by the Secretary, a person is required to make deposits of any tax imposed by section 4251 or subsection (a) or (b) of section 4261 with respect to amounts considered collected by such person during any semimonthly period, such deposit shall be made not later than the 3rd day (not including Sat-

urdays, Sundays, or legal holidays) after the close of the 1st week of the 2nd semimonthly period following the period to which such amounts relate.

## (2) Special rule for tax due in September

#### (A) Amounts considered collected

In the case of a person required to make deposits of the tax imposed by—

- (i) section 4251, or
- (ii) effective on January 1, 1997, section 4261 or 4271,

with respect to amounts considered collected by such person during any semimonthly period, the amount of such tax included in bills rendered or tickets sold during the period beginning on September 1 and ending on September 11 shall be deposited not later than September 29.

# (B) Special rule where September 29 is on Saturday or Sunday

If September 29 falls on a Saturday or Sunday, the due date under subparagraph (A) shall be—

- (i) in the case of Saturday, the preceding day, and
- (ii) in the case of Sunday, the following

# (C) Taxpayers not required to use electronic funds transfer

In the case of deposits not required to be made by electronic funds transfer, subparagraphs (A) and (B) shall be applied by substituting "September 10" for "September 11" and "September 28" for "September 29".

## (f) Time for deposit of certain excise taxes

## (1) General rule

Except as otherwise provided in this subsection and subsection (e), if any person is required under regulations to make deposits of taxes under subtitle D with respect to semimonthly periods, such person shall make deposits of such taxes for the period beginning on September 16 and ending on September 26 not later than September 29. In the case of taxes imposed by sections 4261 and 4271, this paragraph shall not apply to periods before January 1, 1997.

#### (2) Taxes on ozone depleting chemicals

If any person is required under regulations to make deposits of taxes under subchapter D of chapter 38 with respect to semimonthly periods, in lieu of paragraph (1), such person shall make deposits of such taxes for—

- (A) the second semimonthly period in August, and
- (B) the period beginning on September 1 and ending on September 11,

not later than September 29.

# (3) Taxpayers not required to use electronic funds transfer

In the case of deposits not required to be made by electronic funds transfer, paragraphs (1) and (2) shall be applied by substituting "September 25" for "September 26", "September 10" for "September 11", and "September 28" for "September 29".

# (4) Special rule where due date on Saturday or Sunday

If, but for this paragraph, the due date under paragraph (1), (2), or (3) would fall on a Saturday or Sunday, such due date shall be deemed to be—

- (A) in the case of Saturday, the preceding day, and
- (B) in the case of Sunday, the following day.

# (g) Deposits of social security taxes and withheld income taxes

If, under regulations prescribed by the Secretary, a person is required to make deposits of taxes imposed by chapters 21, 22, and 24 on the basis of eighth-month periods, such person shall make deposits of such taxes on the 1st banking day after any day on which such person has \$100,000 or more of such taxes for deposit.

#### (h) Use of electronic fund transfer system for collection of certain taxes

### (1) Establishment of system

#### (A) In general

The Secretary shall prescribe such regulations as may be necessary for the development and implementation of an electronic fund transfer system which is required to be used for the collection of depository taxes. Such system shall be designed in such manner as may be necessary to ensure that such taxes are credited to the general account of the Treasury on the date on which such taxes would otherwise have been required to be deposited under the Federal tax deposit system.

## (B) Exemptions

The regulations prescribed under subparagraph (A) may contain such exemptions as the Secretary may deem appropriate.

## (2) Phase-in requirements

#### (A) In general

Except as provided in subparagraph (B), the regulations referred to in paragraph (1)—

- (i) shall contain appropriate procedures to assure that an orderly conversion from the Federal tax deposit system to the electronic fund transfer system is accomplished, and
- (ii) may provide for a phase-in of such electronic fund transfer system by classes of taxpayers based on the aggregate undeposited taxes of such taxpayers at the close of specified periods and any other factors the Secretary may deem appropriate.

#### (B) Phase-in requirements

The phase-in of the electronic fund transfer system shall be designed in such manner as may be necessary to ensure that—

- (i) during each fiscal year beginning after September 30, 1993, at least the applicable required percentage of the total depository taxes imposed by chapters 21, 22, and 24 shall be collected by means of electronic fund transfer, and
- (ii) during each fiscal year beginning after September 30, 1993, at least the appli-

cable required percentage of the total other depository taxes shall be collected by means of electronic fund transfer.

#### (C) Applicable required percentage

- (i) In the case of the depository taxes imposed by chapters 21, 22, and 24, the applicable required percentage is—
  - (I) 3 percent for fiscal year 1994,
  - (II) 16.9 percent for fiscal year 1995,
  - (III) 20.1 percent for fiscal year 1996,
  - (IV) 58.3 percent for fiscal years 1997 and 1998, and
  - $\left(V\right)$  94 percent for fiscal year 1999 and all fiscal years thereafter.
- (ii) In the case of other depository taxes, the applicable required percentage is—
  - (I) 3 percent for fiscal year 1994,
  - (II) 20 percent for fiscal year 1995,
  - (III) 30 percent for fiscal year 1996,
  - (IV) 60 percent for fiscal years 1997 and 1998, and
  - $\left(V\right)$  94 percent for fiscal year 1999 and all fiscal years thereafter.

#### (3) Definitions

For purposes of this subsection—

#### (A) Depository tax

The term "depository tax" means any tax if the Secretary is authorized to require deposits of such tax.

#### (B) Electronic fund transfer

The term "electronic fund transfer" means any transfer of funds, other than a transaction originated by check, draft, or similar paper instrument, which is initiated through an electronic terminal, telephonic instrument, or computer or magnetic tape so as to order, instruct, or authorize a financial institution or other financial intermediary to debit or credit an account.

# (4) Coordination with other electronic fund transfer requirements

#### (A) Coordination with certain excise taxes

In determining whether the requirements of subparagraph (B) of paragraph (2) are met, taxes required to be paid by electronic fund transfer under sections 5061(e) and 5703(b) shall be disregarded.

## (B) Additional requirement

Under regulations, any tax required to be paid by electronic fund transfer under section 5061(e) or 5703(b) shall be paid in such a manner as to ensure that the requirements of the second sentence of paragraph (1)(A) of this subsection are satisfied.

(Aug. 16, 1954, ch. 736, 68A Stat. 775; June 29, 1956, ch. 462, title II, \$206(b), 70 Stat. 391; Pub. L. 94–455, title XIX, \$1906(a)(17), (b)(13)(A), Oct. 4, 1976, 90 Stat. 1825, 1834; Pub. L. 95–147, \$3(a), Oct. 28, 1977, 91 Stat. 1228; Pub. L. 95–600, title I, \$105(e), Nov. 6, 1978, 92 Stat. 2776; Pub. L. 96–223, title I, \$101(c)(2), Apr. 2, 1980, 94 Stat. 250; Pub. L. 98–369, div. A, title X, \$1015(c), July 18, 1984, 98 Stat. 1018; Pub. L. 100–418, title I, \$1941(b)(2)(G), Aug. 23, 1988, 102 Stat. 1323; Pub. L. 100–647, title VI, \$6107(a), Nov. 10, 1988, 102 Stat. 3712; Pub. L. 101–239, title VII, \$\$7502(a),

7507(a), 7632(a), Dec. 19, 1989, 103 Stat. 2362, 2369, 2379; Pub. L. 101–508, title XI, §§11217(b)(1), 11334(a), 11801(c)(22)(A), Nov. 5, 1990, 104 Stat. 1388-437, 1388-470, 1388-528; Pub. L. 103-66, title XIII, §13242(d)(15), Aug. 10, 1993, 107 Stat. 524; Pub. L. 103-182, title V, §523(a), Dec. 8, 1993, 107 Stat. 2161; Pub. L. 103-465, title VII, §712(a), (d), Dec. 8, 1994, 108 Stat. 4999, 5001; Pub. L. 104-188, title I,  $\S1702(c)(3)$ , 1704(t)(52), Aug. 20, 1996, 110 Stat. 1869, 1890; Pub. L. 111–226, title II, § 219(b)(2), Aug. 10, 2010, 124 Stat. 2403; Pub. L. 111-237, §2(a), Aug. 16, 2010, 124 Stat. 2497.)

#### AMENDMENTS

2010—Subsec. (d). Pub. L. 111-237 amended subsec. (d) generally. Prior to amendment, text read as follows: The taxes imposed by subsections (a) and (b) of section 4161 (relating to taxes on sporting goods) shall be due and payable on the date for filing the return for such taxes.

Subsec. (i). Pub. L. 111-226 struck out subsec. (i). Text read as follows: "For treatment of earned income advance amounts as payment of withholding and FICA taxes, see section 3507(d).'

1996—Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 104-188, §1704(t)(52), provided that section 11801(c)(22)(A) of Pub. L. 101-508 shall be applied as if "chapters 21" appeared instead of "chapter 21" in the material to be stricken. See 1990 Amendment note below.

Subsec. (g). Pub. L. 104–188, §1702(c)(3), inserted ", 22," after "chapters 21".

1994—Subsec. (e). Pub. L. 103-465, §712(d), reenacted heading without change and amended text generally. Prior to amendment, text read as follows: "If, under regulations prescribed by the Secretary, a person is required to make deposits of any tax imposed by section 4251 or subsection (a) or (b) of section 4261 with respect to amounts considered collected by such person during any semimonthly period, such deposit shall be made not later than the 3rd day (not including Saturdays, Sundays, or legal holidays) after the close of the 1st week of the 2nd semimonthly period following the period to which such amounts relate.'

Subsec. (f). Pub. L. 103-465, §712(a), substituted "certain excise taxes" for "taxes on gasoline and diesel fuel" in heading and amended text generally. Prior to amendment, text read as follows:

"(1) GENERAL RULE.—Notwithstanding section 518 of the Highway Revenue Act of 1982, any person whose liability for tax under section 4081 is payable with respect to semimonthly periods shall, not later than September 27, make deposits of such tax for the period beginning on September 16 and ending on September 22.

"(2) SPECIAL RULE WHERE DUE DATE FALLS ON SATUR-DAY, SUNDAY, OR HOLIDAY.—If, but for this paragraph, the due date under paragraph (1) would fall on a Saturday, Sunday, or holiday in the District of Columbia, such due date shall be deemed to be the immediately preceding day which is not a Saturday, Sunday, or such a holiday.

1993—Subsec. (f). Pub. L. 103-66 inserted "and diesel fuel" after "gasoline" in heading.

Subsecs. (h), (i). Pub. L. 103-182 added subsec. (h) and redesignated former subsec. (h) as (i).

1990—Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 101-508, §11801(c)(22)(A), which directed the substitution of "chapter 21, 31, 32, or 33, or by section 4481" for "chapter 21" and all that follows down through "chapter 37,", was executed by making the substitution for "chapters 21, 31, 32, 33, section 4481 of chapter 36, section 4501(a) of chapter 37" to reflect the probable intent of Congress. See 1996 Amendment note above.

Subsec. (e). Pub. L. 101–508, §11217(b)(1), inserted "communications services and" before "airline" in heading and "section 4251 or" after "imposed by" in

Subsec. (g). Pub. L. 101-508, §11334(a), amended subsec. (g) generally, striking out par. (1) designation and striking heading, striking out ", for the years specified in paragraph (2)," after "such person shall", substituting "on the 1st banking day" for "on the applicable banking day", and striking out par. (2), which provided that for purposes of par. (1) the applicable banking day for 1990 is the 1st, for 1991 the 2nd, for 1992 the 3rd, for 1993 the 1st, and for 1994 the 1st.

1989—Subsec. (e). Pub. L. 101-239, §7502(a), added subsec. (e). Former subsec. (e) redesignated (f)

Subsec. (f). Pub. L. 101-239, §7507(a), added subsec. (f). Former subsec. (f) redesignated (g).

Pub. L. 101-239, §7502(a), redesignated former subsec. (e) as (f).

Subsec. (g). Pub. L. 101-239, §7632(a), added subsec. (g). Former subsec. (g) redesignated (h).

Pub. L. 101–239, §7507(a), redesignated former subsec. (f) as (g).

Subsec. (h). Pub. L. 101-239, §7632(a), redesignated former subsec. (g) as (h).

1988—Subsec. (d). Pub. L. 100-647 substituted "Time for payment of manufacturers' excise tax on sporting goods" for "Time for payment of manufacturers excise tax on sport fishing equipment" in heading and amended text generally. Prior to amendment, subsec. (d) read as follows: "The tax imposed by section 4161(a) (relating to manufacturers excise tax on sport fishing equipment) shall be due and payable on the date for filing the return for such tax.'

Subsec. (e). Pub. L. 100–418 substituted "For" for "(1)  $\,$ For" and struck out par. (2) which read as follows: "For depositary requirements applicable to the windfall profit tax imposed by section 4986, see section 4995(b)." 1984—Subsecs. (d), (e). Pub. L. 98–369 added subsec. (d)

and redesignated former subsec. (d) as (e). 1980—Subsec. (d). Pub. L. 96-223 designated existing cross reference as par. (1), substituted "For treatment of earned income advance amounts" for "For treatment of payment of earned income advance amounts", and added par. (2).

1978—Subsec. (d). Pub. L. 95–600 added subsec. (d). 1977—Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 95–147 substituted ", trust companies, domestic building and loan associations, or credit unions" for "or trust companies" and ", trust companies, domestic building and loan associations, and credit unions" for "and trust companies"

1976—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 94-455, \$1906(b)(13)(A), struck out "or his delegate" after "Secretary".

Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 94-455, \$1906(a)(17), (b)(13)(A), substituted "section 4501(a) of chapter 37" for "sections" 4501(a) or 4511 of chapter 37, or section 4701 or 4721 of chapter 39" and struck out "or his delegate" after 'Secretary'

Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 94-455, §1906(b)(13)(A), struck out 'or his delegate" after "Secretary" wherever appear-

1956—Subsec. (b). Act June 29, 1956, inserted reference to section 4481 of chapter 36.

## EFFECTIVE DATE OF 2010 AMENDMENT

Pub. L. 111-237, §2(b), Aug. 16, 2010, 124 Stat. 2497, provided that: "The amendment made by subsection (a) [amending this section] shall apply to articles sold by the manufacturer, producer, or importer after the date

of the enactment of this Act [Aug. 16, 2010]."
Amendment by Pub. L. 111-226 applicable to taxable years beginning after Dec. 31, 2010, see section 219(c) of Pub. L. 111-226, set out as a note under section 32 of this title.

### Effective Date of 1996 Amendment

Amendment by section 1702(c)(3) of Pub. L. 104-188 effective, except as otherwise expressly provided, as if included in the provision of the Revenue Reconciliation Act of 1990, Pub. L. 101-508, title XI, to which such amendment relates, see section 1702(i) of Pub. L. 104-188, set out as a note under section 38 of this title.

### EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1994 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 103-465 effective Jan. 1, 1995, see section 712(e) of Pub. L. 103-465, set out as a note under section 5061 of this title.

#### EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1993 AMENDMENTS

Section 523(b)(1) of Pub. L. 103-182 provided that: "The amendments made by this section [amending this section] shall take effect on the date the Agreement [North American Free Trade Agreement] enters into

force with respect to the United States [Jan. 1, 1994]."
Amendment by Pub. L. 103–66 effective Jan. 1, 1994, see section 13242(e) of Pub. L. 103–66, set out as a note under section 4041 of this title.

### EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1990 AMENDMENT

Section 11217(b)(2) of Pub. L. 101-508 provided that: "The amendment made by paragraph (1) [amending this section] shall apply to payments of taxes considered collected during semimonthly periods beginning after December 31, 1990."

Section 11334(c) of Pub. L. 101–508 provided that: "The amendments made by this section [amending this section and provisions set out below] shall apply to amounts required to be deposited after December 31,

#### EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1989 AMENDMENT

Section 7502(b) of Pub. L. 101-239 provided that: "The amendment made by subsection (a) [amending this section] shall apply to payments of taxes considered collected for semimonthly periods beginning after June 30,

Section 7507(b) of Pub. L. 101-239 provided that: "The amendment made by subsection (a) [amending this section] shall apply to payments of taxes for tax periods beginning after December 31, 1989."

Section 7632(b) of Pub. L. 101-239, as amended by Pub. L. 101-508, title XI, §11334(b), Nov. 5, 1990, 104 Stat.

1388–470, provided that:

"(1) GENERAL RULE.—Except as provided in paragraph (2), the amendment made by subsection (a) [amending this section] shall apply to amounts required to be deposited after July 31, 1990. "[(2) Repealed. Pub. L. 101–508, title XI, §11334(b),

Nov. 5, 1990, 104 Stat. 1388-470.]'

## EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1988 AMENDMENTS

Section 6107(b) of Pub. L. 100-647 provided that: "The amendment made by subsection (a) [amending this section] shall apply with respect to articles sold by the manufacturer, producer, or importer after December 31,

Amendment by Pub. L. 100-418 applicable to crude oil removed from the premises on or after Aug. 23, 1988, see section 1941(c) of Pub. L. 100-418, set out as a note under section 164 of this title.

#### EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1984 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 98-369 applicable with respect to articles sold by manufacturer, producer, or importer after Sept. 30, 1984, see section 1015(e) of Pub. L. 98-369, set out as an Effective Date note under section 4162 of this title.

#### EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1980 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 96-223 applicable to periods after Feb. 29, 1980, see section 101(i) of Pub. L. 96-223, set out as a note under section 6161 of this title.

#### EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1978 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 95-600 effective with respect to remuneration paid after June 30, 1979, see section 105(g)(2) of Pub. L. 95-600, set out as a note under section 6051 of this title.

#### EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1977 AMENDMENT

Section 3(c) of Pub. L. 95-147 provided that: "The amendments made by this section [amending this section and section 7502 of this title] shall apply to amounts deposited after the date of the enactment of this Act [Oct. 28, 1977].

#### REGULATIONS

Section 523(b)(2) of Pub. L. 103-182 provided that: "Not later than 210 days after the date of enactment of

this Act [Dec. 8, 1993], the Secretary of the Treasury or his delegate shall prescribe temporary regulations under section 6302(h) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (as added by this section)."

#### SAVINGS PROVISION

For provisions that nothing in amendment by section 11801(c)(22)(A) of Pub. L. 101-508 be construed to affect treatment of certain transactions occurring, property acquired, or items of income, loss, deduction, or credit taken into account prior to Nov. 5, 1990, for purposes of determining liability for tax for periods ending after Nov. 5, 1990, see section 11821(b) of Pub. L. 101-508, set out as a note under section 45K of this title.

#### DELAYED DEPOSITS OF HIGHWAY MOTOR FUEL TAX REVENUES

Pub. L. 105-34, title IX, §901(e), Aug. 5, 1997, 111 Stat. 872, provided that: "Notwithstanding section 6302 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, in the case of deposits of taxes imposed by sections 4041 and 4081 (other than subsection (a)(2)(A)(ii)) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, the due date for any deposit which would (but for this subsection) be required to be made after July 31, 1998, and before October 1, 1998, shall be October 5,

WAIVER OF PENALTY THROUGH JUNE 30, 1998, ON SMALL BUSINESSES FAILING TO MAKE ELECTRONIC FUND TRANSFERS OF TAXES

Pub. L. 105-34, title IX, §931, Aug. 5, 1997, 111 Stat. 881, provided that: "No penalty shall be imposed under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 solely by reason of a failure by a person to use the electronic fund transfer system established under section 6302(h) of such Code if-

"(1) such person is a member of a class of taxpayers first required to use such system on or after July 1, 1997, and

"(2) such failure occurs before July 1, 1998."

#### DELAYED DEPOSITS OF AIRPORT TRUST FUND TAX REVENUES

Pub. L. 105-34, title X, §1031(g), Aug. 5, 1997, 111 Stat. 933, provided that: "Notwithstanding section 6302 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986-

"(1) in the case of deposits of taxes imposed by section 4261 of such Code, the due date for any such deposit which would (but for this subsection) be required to be made after August 14, 1997, and before October 1, 1997, shall be October 10, 1997,

"(2) in the case of deposits of taxes imposed by section 4261 of such Code, the due date for any such deposit which would (but for this subsection) be required to be made after August 14, 1998, and before October 1, 1998, shall be October 5, 1998, and

'(3) in the case of deposits of taxes imposed by sections 4081(a)(2)(A)(ii), 4091, and 4271 of such Code, the due date for any such deposit which would (but for this subsection) be required to be made after July 31, 1998, and before October 1, 1998, shall be October 5,

## DELAY OF ELECTRONIC FUND TRANSFER REQUIREMENT

Section 1809 of Pub. L. 104-188 provided that: "Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the increase in the applicable required percentages for fiscal year 1997 in clauses (i)(IV) and (ii)(IV) of section 6302(h)(2)(C) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 shall not take effect before July 1, 1997.

## DEPOSITARY SCHEDULES

Pub. L. 98-76, title II, §226, Aug. 12, 1983, 97 Stat. 426, as amended by Pub. L. 99-514, §2, Oct. 22, 1986, 100 Stat. 2095, provided that: "Effective on and after January 1, 1984, the times for making payments prescribed under section 6302 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 [formerly I.R.C. 1954] with respect to the taxes imposed by chapter 22 of such Code shall be the same as the times prescribed under such section which apply to the taxes imposed by chapters 21 and 24 of such Code."

Pub. L. 98-76, title II, §227(c), Aug. 12, 1983, 97 Stat. 426, provided that: "Section 226 [set out above] shall take effect on January 1, 1984."

## § 6303. Notice and demand for tax

#### (a) General rule

Where it is not otherwise provided by this title, the Secretary shall, as soon as practicable, and within 60 days, after the making of an assessment of a tax pursuant to section 6203, give notice to each person liable for the unpaid tax, stating the amount and demanding payment thereof. Such notice shall be left at the dwelling or usual place of business of such person, or shall be sent by mail to such person's last known address.

### (b) Assessment prior to last date for payment

Except where the Secretary believes collection would be jeopardized by delay, if any tax is assessed prior to the last date prescribed for payment of such tax, payment of such tax shall not be demanded under subsection (a) until after such date.

(Aug. 16, 1954, ch. 736, 68A Stat. 775; Pub. L. 94–455, title XIX, §1906(b)(13)(A), Oct. 4, 1976, 90 Stat. 1834.)

#### AMENDMENTS

1976—Pub. L. 94-455 struck out "or his delegate" after "Secretary" wherever appearing.

#### § 6304. Fair tax collection practices

#### (a) Communication with the taxpayer

Without the prior consent of the taxpayer given directly to the Secretary or the express permission of a court of competent jurisdiction, the Secretary may not communicate with a taxpayer in connection with the collection of any unpaid tax—

- (1) at any unusual time or place or a time or place known or which should be known to be inconvenient to the taxpayer;
- (2) if the Secretary knows the taxpayer is represented by any person authorized to practice before the Internal Revenue Service with respect to such unpaid tax and has knowledge of, or can readily ascertain, such person's name and address, unless such person fails to respond within a reasonable period of time to a communication from the Secretary or unless such person consents to direct communication with the taxpayer; or
- (3) at the taxpayer's place of employment if the Secretary knows or has reason to know that the taxpayer's employer prohibits the taxpayer from receiving such communication.

In the absence of knowledge of circumstances to the contrary, the Secretary shall assume that the convenient time for communicating with a taxpayer is after 8 a.m. and before 9 p.m., local time at the taxpayer's location.

## (b) Prohibition of harassment and abuse

The Secretary may not engage in any conduct the natural consequence of which is to harass, oppress, or abuse any person in connection with the collection of any unpaid tax. Without limiting the general application of the foregoing, the following conduct is a violation of this subsection:

- (1) The use or threat of use of violence or other criminal means to harm the physical person, reputation, or property of any person.
- (2) The use of obscene or profane language or language the natural consequence of which is to abuse the hearer or reader.
- (3) Causing a telephone to ring or engaging any person in telephone conversation repeatedly or continuously with intent to annoy, abuse, or harass any person at the called number.
- (4) Except as provided under rules similar to the rules in section 804 of the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act (15 U.S.C. 1692b), the placement of telephone calls without meaningful disclosure of the caller's identity.

#### (c) Civil action for violations of section

# For civil action for violations of this section, see section 7433.

(Added Pub. L. 105–206, title III, §3466(a), July 22, 1998, 112 Stat. 768.)

#### PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 6304, act Aug. 16, 1954, ch. 736, 68A Stat. 776, related to a cross reference to sections 4504 and 4601 for collection under the Tariff Act of 1930, prior to repeal by Pub. L. 94–455, title XIX, §1906(a)(18), (d)(1), Oct. 4, 1976, 90 Stat. 1825, 1835, effective on first day of first month which begins more than 90 days after Oct. 4, 1976.

#### EFFECTIVE DATE

Pub. L. 105-206, title III, §3466(c), July 22, 1998, 112 Stat. 769, provided that: "The amendments made by this section [enacting this section] shall take effect on the date of the enactment of this Act [July 22, 1998]."

## § 6305. Collection of certain liability

### (a) In general

Upon receiving a certification from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, under section 452(b) of the Social Security Act with respect to any individual, the Secretary shall assess and collect the amount certified by the Secretary of Health and Human Services, in the same manner, with the same powers, and (except as provided in this section) subject to the same limitations as if such amount were a tax imposed by subtitle C the collection of which would be jeopardized by delay, except that—

- (1) no interest or penalties shall be assessed or collected.
- (2) for such purposes, paragraphs (4), (6), and (8) of section 6334(a) (relating to property exempt from levy) shall not apply,
- (3) there shall be exempt from levy so much of the salary, wages, or other income of an individual as is being withheld therefrom in garnishment pursuant to a judgment entered by a court of competent jurisdiction for the support of his minor children,
- (4) in the case of the first assessment against an individual for delinquency under a court or administrative order against such individual for a particular person or persons, the collection shall be stayed for a period of 60 days immediately following notice and demand as described in section 6303, and

(5) no additional fee may be assessed for adjustments to an amount previously certified pursuant to such section 452(b) with respect to the same obligor.

## (b) Review of assessments and collections

No court of the United States, whether established under article I or article III of the Constitution, shall have jurisdiction of any action, whether legal or equitable, brought to restrain or review the assessment and collection of amounts by the Secretary under subsection (a), nor shall any such assessment and collection be subject to review by the Secretary in any proceeding. This subsection does not preclude any legal, equitable, or administrative action against the State by an individual in any State court or before any State agency to determine his liability for any amount assessed against him and collected, or to recover any such amount collected from him, under this section.

(Added Pub. L. 93–647, §101(b)(1), Jan. 4, 1975, 88 Stat. 2358; amended Pub. L. 94–455, title XIX, §1906(b)(13)(A), Oct. 4, 1976, 90 Stat. 1834; Pub. L. 97–35, title XXIII, §2332(g), Aug. 13, 1981, 95 Stat. 862; Pub. L. 104–193, title III, §361(a), Aug. 22, 1996, 110 Stat. 2242.)

#### References in Text

Section 452(b) of the Social Security Act, referred to in subsec. (a), is classified to section 652(b) of Title 42, The Public Health and Welfare.

#### AMENDMENTS

1996—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 104–193, §361(a)(4), substituted "Secretary of Health and Human Services" for "Secretary of Health, Education, and Welfare" in two places in introductory provisions.

Subsec. (a)(5). Pub. L. 104–193, §361(a)(1)–(3), added par. (5).

1981—Subsec. (a)(4). Pub. L. 97–35 inserted reference to administrative order.

1976—Subsecs. (a), (b). Pub. L. 94-455 struck out "or his delegate" after "Secretary" wherever appearing.

#### EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1996 AMENDMENT

Section 361(b) of Pub. L. 104-193 provided that: "The amendments made by this section [amending this section] shall become effective October 1, 1997."

For provisions relating to effective date of title III of Pub. L. 104–193, see section 395(a)–(c) of Pub. L. 104–193, set out as a note under section 654 of Title 42, The Public Health and Welfare.

### EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1981 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 97–35 effective, except as otherwise specifically provided, on Oct. 1, 1981, see section 2336 of Pub. L. 97–35, set out as a note under section 651 of Title 42, The Public Health and Welfare.

#### EFFECTIVE DATE

Section effective Aug. 1, 1975, see section 101(f) of Pub. L. 93-647, set out as a note under section 651 of Title 42, the Public Health and Welfare.

## § 6306. Qualified tax collection contracts

### (a) In general

Nothing in any provision of law shall be construed to prevent the Secretary from entering into a qualified tax collection contract.

### (b) Qualified tax collection contract

For purposes of this section, the term "qualified tax collection contract" means any contract which—

- (1) is for the services of any person (other than an officer or employee of the Treasury Department)—
  - (A) to locate and contact any taxpayer specified by the Secretary,
  - (B) to request full payment from such taxpayer of an amount of Federal tax specified by the Secretary and, if such request cannot be met by the taxpayer, to offer the taxpayer an installment agreement providing for full payment of such amount during a period not to exceed 5 years, and
  - (C) to obtain financial information specified by the Secretary with respect to such taxpayer,
- (2) prohibits each person providing such services under such contract from committing any act or omission which employees of the Internal Revenue Service are prohibited from committing in the performance of similar services
  - (3) prohibits subcontractors from-
    - (A) having contacts with taxpayers,
  - (B) providing quality assurance services, and
    - (C) composing debt collection notices, and
- (4) permits subcontractors to perform other services only with the approval of the Secretary.

#### (c) Fees

The Secretary may retain and use—

- (1) an amount not in excess of 25 percent of the amount collected under any qualified tax collection contract for the costs of services performed under such contract, and
- (2) an amount not in excess of 25 percent of such amount collected for collection enforcement activities of the Internal Revenue Service.

The Secretary shall keep adequate records regarding amounts so retained and used. The amount credited as paid by any taxpayer shall be determined without regard to this subsection.

### (d) No Federal liability

The United States shall not be liable for any act or omission of any person performing services under a qualified tax collection contract.

# (e) Application of Fair Debt Collection Practices

The provisions of the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act (15 U.S.C. 1692 et seq.) shall apply to any qualified tax collection contract, except to the extent superseded by section 6304, section 7602(c), or by any other provision of this title.

#### (f) Cross references

- (1) For damages for certain unauthorized collection actions by persons performing services under a qualified tax collection contract, see section 7433A.

  (2) For application of Taxpayer Assistance Orders
- (2) For application of Taxpayer Assistance Orders to persons performing services under a qualified tax collection contract, see section 7811(g).

(Added Pub. L. 108–357, title VIII, \$881(a)(1), Oct. 22, 2004, 118 Stat. 1625.)

#### REFERENCES IN TEXT

The Fair Debt Collection Practices Act, referred to in subsec. (e), is title VIII of Pub. L. 90–321, as added by

Pub. L. 95–109, Sept. 20, 1977, 91 Stat. 874, as amended, which is classified generally to subchapter V (§1692 et seq.) of chapter 41 of Title 15, Commerce and Trade. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 1601 of Title 15 and Tables.

#### EFFECTIVE DATE

Pub. L. 108-357, title VIII, §881(f), Oct. 22, 2004, 118 Stat. 1627, provided that: "The amendments made to [by] this section [enacting this section and section 7433A of this title, amending sections 7809 and 7811 of this title, and amending provisions set out as a note under section 7804 of this title] shall take effect on the date of the enactment of this Act [Oct. 22, 2004]."

#### BIENNIAL REPORT

Pub. L. 108–357, title VIII, §881(e), Oct. 22, 2004, 118 Stat. 1627, provided that: "The Secretary of the Treasury shall biennially submit (beginning in 2005) to the Committee on Finance of the Senate and the Committee on Ways and Means of the House of Representatives a report with respect to qualified tax collection contracts under section 6306 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (as added by this section) which includes—

"(1) a complete cost benefit analysis,

"(2) the impact of such contracts on collection enforcement staff levels in the Internal Revenue Service

"(3) the impact of such contracts on the total number and amount of unpaid assessments, and on the number and amount of assessments collected by Internal Revenue Service personnel after initial contact by a contractor,

"(4) the amounts collected and the collection costs incurred (directly and indirectly) by the Internal Revenue Service,

"(5) an evaluation of contractor performance,

``(6) a disclosure safeguard report in a form similar to that required under section 6103(p)(5) of such Code, and

"(7) a measurement plan which includes a comparison of the best practices used by the private collectors with the Internal Revenue Service's own collection techniques and mechanisms to identify and capture information on successful collection techniques used by the contractors which could be adopted by the Internal Revenue Service."

#### Subchapter B—Receipt of Payment

Sec.
6311. Payment of tax by commercially acceptable means.
[6312. Repealed.]
6313. Fractional parts of a cent.
6314. Receipt for taxes.

6315. Payments of estimated income tax.

6316. Payment by foreign currency.

6317. Payments of Federal unemployment tax for calendar quarter.

#### AMENDMENTS

1997—Pub. L. 105-34, title XII, §1205(b), Aug. 5, 1997, 111 Stat. 998, substituted "Payment of tax by commercially acceptable means" for "Payment by check or money order" in item 6311.

1971—Pub. L. 92–5, title I, \$4(a)(2), Mar. 17, 1971, 85 Stat. 5, struck out item 6312 "Payment by United States notes and certificates of indebtedness".

1969—Pub. L. 91–53,  $\S 2(f)(2)$ , Aug. 7, 1969, 83 Stat. 93, added item 6317.

#### REPEALS

Pub. L. 92-5, title I, §4(a)(2), Mar. 17, 1971, 85 Stat. 5, which struck out item 6312, was repealed by Pub. L. 97-258, §5(b), Sept. 13, 1982, 96 Stat. 1068, 1081.

# § 6311. Payment of tax by commercially acceptable means

#### (a) Authority to receive

It shall be lawful for the Secretary to receive for internal revenue taxes (or in payment for internal revenue stamps) any commercially acceptable means that the Secretary deems appropriate to the extent and under the conditions provided in regulations prescribed by the Secretary.

#### (b) Ultimate liability

If a check, money order, or other method of payment, including payment by credit card, debit card, or charge card so received is not duly paid, or is paid and subsequently charged back to the Secretary, the person by whom such check, or money order, or other method of payment has been tendered shall remain liable for the payment of the tax or for the stamps, and for all legal penalties and additions, to the same extent as if such check, money order, or other method of payment had not been tendered.

#### (c) Liability of banks and others

If any certified, treasurer's, or cashier's check (or other guaranteed draft), or any money order, or any other means of payment that has been guaranteed by a financial institution (such as a credit card, debit card, or charge card transaction which has been guaranteed expressly by a financial institution) so received is not duly paid, the United States shall, in addition to its right to exact payment from the party originally indebted therefor, have a lien for—

(1) the amount of such check (or draft) upon all assets of the financial institution on which drawn.

(2) the amount of such money order upon all the assets of the issuer thereof, or

(3) the guaranteed amount of any other transaction upon all the assets of the institution making such guarantee,

and such amount shall be paid out of such assets in preference to any other claims whatsoever against such financial institution, issuer, or guaranteeing institution, except the necessary costs and expenses of administration and the reimbursement of the United States for the amount expended in the redemption of the circulating notes of such financial institution.

## (d) Payment by other means

## (1) Authority to prescribe regulations

The Secretary shall prescribe such regulations as the Secretary deems necessary to receive payment by commercially acceptable means, including regulations that—

(A) specify which methods of payment by commercially acceptable means will be acceptable,

(B) specify when payment by such means will be considered received,

(C) identify types of nontax matters related to payment by such means that are to be resolved by persons ultimately liable for payment and financial intermediaries, without the involvement of the Secretary, and

(D) ensure that tax matters will be resolved by the Secretary, without the involvement of financial intermediaries.